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STATUS REPORT ON THE PLAN FOR THE SHARING AND MAXIMIZATION OF THE CAPPED TITLE IV-E WAIVER ALLOCATION

On October, 10, 2006, on motion of Mayor Michael D. Antonovich, your Board instructed the Chief Administrative Office to lead the effort to ensure all pending issues between the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) and Probation are addressed in order to develop a fiscally and programmatically sound local plan for the sharing and maximizing of the capped Title IV-E waiver allocation; and to report every two weeks until this outcome has been achieved. This report is to provide a status on our efforts.

As indicated in my January 29, 2007 status report on the development of the Los Angeles County Title IV-E Capped Allocation Demonstration Project Five Year Plan (Plan), my staff continues to work with representatives from DCFS and Probation to ensure the completion of the remaining action plan items.

We have begun discussions on the review of DCFS and Probation administrative structures for overlap and redundancy on waiver related programs. Although the Program Outcome was scheduled for completion in December 2006, both Departments are dedicated to seeking service delivery models that eliminate redundancies, and provide for attainment of waiver outcomes. This will continue to be an issue discussed in the implementation working group meetings.

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We are also working with the Public Consulting Group (PCG) in conducting the compliance review and assessment of Probation's administrative claiming processes associated with Title IV-E. PCG has indicated that based on their preliminary review, it appears that Probation is properly meeting the stringent claiming requirements associated with Title IV-E. PCG will complete their review within the next few weeks and provide their formal findings and recommendations.

Additionally, we are working with the State to finalize the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the implementation of the Waiver. We have had two conference calls with the State on March 9 and March 16, 2007 to discuss the programmatic and financial portions of the draft MOU. While this is an arduous process, we are making progress and anticipate being able to complete the MOU for your Board's approval by April 17, 2007.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information, or you may contact Brian Mahan at (213) 974-1318.

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